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DR. A. CHIDAMBARANATHAN: பழனியில் ஆரம்பிக்கப் பட்டிருக்கிற கல்லூரியில், தேவாரம், திருவாய்மொழி எல்லாம் கற்றுக்கொடுப்பதாகச் சொல்லப்படுகிறது. இன்னும் அவற்றை அதிகரிக்கிற எண்ணம் உண்டா ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: தேவாரம், திருவாசகம் சொல்லிக் கொடுப்பதற்கு ஒரு பள்ளி ஆரம்பிக்கப் பட்டிருக்கிறது. திருவாழ்மொழிக்குப் பழனியில் இல்லை. வேறு இடத்தில் இருக்கிறது. இந்தக் கேள்வி அர்ச்சகர்களுக்குப் பயிற்சி அளிப்பது பற்றியது.

T.U.C.S. Rice

* 129 *Q.*—SRI MOHAMED RAZA KHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any instances of diversion to black market of T.U.C.S. rice supplied to fair price shops have come to the notice of the Government; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) Yes, Sir.

(*b*) The authorisations of the Fair Price Shop dealers who were reported to have been indulging in shady transactions were cancelled by the Collector of Madras.

Inter-State rivers

* 133 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Mysore Government have addressed this Government about the revision of agreements relating to inter-State rivers; and

(*b*) if so, the steps taken with regard to the sharing of waters of the rivers flowing in the two States?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) No, Sir. But they have moved the Government of India in the matter.

(*b*) The waters of the Cauvery are already being shared by the two States in accordance with the 1892 and 1924 Agreements. The question of taking any fresh steps now for sharing the waters does not, therefore, arise.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : With reference to the answer of the Hon. Minister with regard to clause (*a*), will the Hon. Minister tell us whether the Central Government have referred the question to us?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : Yes, Sir.

SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : What action has been taken on the proposals made by the Mysore Government and which the Central Government have conveyed to us?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : We are going to have a talk with the Government of India and the Mysore Government.

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SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM : Sir, will the Government consider the question as a general one and work out a formula for sharing the inter-State river waters with reference to judicial pronouncements on agrarian rights of the different regions served by the rivers?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : A separate question may be put, Sir.

Harijan Welfare Elementary Schools

* 134 *Q.*—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Works be pleased to state— 10- a.m.

(*a*) the number of Harijan Welfare Elementary Schools in the State district-wise ;

(*b*) the number of teachers working in such schools grade-wise ; and

(*c*) the number of teachers confirmed so far?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) to (*c*) A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Sir, what is the reason for forty-five per cent of the teachers being kept unconfirmed?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : I have not got the information with me now. But the Director of Harijan Welfare has promised to send proposals for each district separately in order to avoid delay in confirmation.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Do the Government assure us that in all the posts which have been continuing at least for three years, teachers will be confirmed?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : I cannot give an assurance now.

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHY : Is there any proposal at least to increase the number of confirmed teachers? It is only 55 now.

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : It will be considered. I have already answered the hon. Member's supplementary question.

Kodaikanal Municipality

* 135 *Q.*—SRI V. V. RAMASWAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Adminisatration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal before the Government to convert Kodaikanal Municipality into a Township;

(*b*) whether there is any proposal to develop Kodaikanal as a tourist centre; and

(*c*) if so, the steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

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[a] Printed as Appendix III on page 452 supra.